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"In due season we shall reap, if we faint not"

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Self-Denial Week

Even the princes and other members of the royal families in Europe are selling their jewelry and costly things to support the war. More than that,—nearly every theater and other places of amusement are closed, and the money is spent for the Red Cross. These nations as a whole are denying themselves in a thousand ways in this their national peril. Shall we do less? We have reached a crisis in our mission work. The very existence of our missions is at stake. At the later camp meetings this summer several suggested that we should appoint a self-denial week in the Lake Union some time this fall.

During the meeting of the conference presidents in Chicago, September 29, this subject came up for discussion. All the brethren expressed themselves in favor of it. It was voted therefore, that we set apart the first week in November as a self-denial week, and that on Sabbath, November 7, a thank offering for missions be taken in all the churches. Some spend money needlessly for pictures, pennants, rugs, brica-brac, candy, pleasure trips etc. Some could get along with their old clothing or furniture. It will certainly be pleasing to God if we during this week deny ourselves of all needless things and bring a thank offering to the Master. Of course, this is only a suggestion. However, we hope that our brethren everywhere will follow it as the Lord by His Spirit L. H. CHRISTIAN may speak to their hearts.

Shall We Stand by This Resolution?

Our brethren have all heard of the situation in those mission fields that in past years have been supported from Europe. Our dear missionaries in those countries are in serious distress. At a recent meeting of the General Conference Committee in Washington, the following resolution was adopted:

"Voted, That in harmony with the request that has come from the European Division Conference office, we ask those in charge of the mission fields of that division to cut down all plans for new work involving increased expenditure, or for work that may demand liberal outlay, so that expenses in the field may be held to the mere cost of the necessaries of life; but in addition, in behalf of our brethren and sisters in the churches of North American Division, we send greetings to our

workers in the mission fields of the European Division, assuring them that we are not only praying for them, but that the believers are making special gifts so that help may be extended from the General Conference treasury to keep the workers sustained in gospel service during these troublous times; and we urge all the missionaries, while cutting down plans involving general expenditures, to give themselves more actively and earnestly than ever to the preaching and teaching of the Word of God and every kind of soul-winning The work must not cease in these times when the hearts of men are led to turn more solemnly than ever toward God. And it is the hope of the General Conference that with the help it may supply, and with the development of every local resource, none of the evangelistic workers may have to turn to secular pursuits."

I hope our brethren will study this resolution very carefully, and I feel certain that we shall all agree that we must help our brethren in these needy fields.

L. H. CHRISTIAN

"Christian Education," Our School and Home Journal

For many years our workers in educational lines have felt the need of some regular means for reaching our people and interesting them in the subject of education. At different times attempts have been made to launch an educational journal. launching, some of these have sailed the seas successfully for a time, only to become shipwrecked later—usually upon the rock of financial disaster. Our latest attempt in the direction of an educational organ is the splendid journal, Christian Education, published monthly by the Review and Herald Publishing Company. I am thus explicit for I feel convinced that there are hundreds and thousands of our people who know but little of this journal, and who consequently have not received the benefit of its inspirational monthly visits.

I take it for granted that every true and loyal Seventh-day Adventist is interested in the cause of education, and being thus interested he must desire to become enlightened in its underlying principles. There is one department in the journal which alone is worth many times the cost of the subscription. This is the Home Department, conducted by Mrs. C. C. Lewis. In the October issue in this department will be found a most helpful article from Mrs. Doctor Wolfsen, outlining her experiences in developing the home school with her two children. In this article she tells how she met and overcame the objections most commonly offered by parents.

All of our teachers are regular subscribers to the journal, but with this Home Department, and with its many other features which prove helpful to

fathers and mothers in the work of child-training, the journal should find a place in every Seventh-day Adventist home. Unless our people everywhere show their interest in Christian education by becoming regular readers of the journal, I greatly fear that this exponent of Christian education will encounter the same difficulties, and end in the same disaster as has its predecessors. The journal is the most meritorious publication of its kind to be obtained, but no periodlong continue without regular, paid subscriptions, and I feel that our people everywhere should rally to the support of this splendid magazine. The journal cannot be maintained upon a subscription list furnished wholly by our teachers. It is being published at a loss. This need not be if our people, recognizing its value and importance, would lend to the enterprise their hearty support. Price, one dollar per year. Order through your tract society, or Christian Education, Takoma Park, Washington, D. C. C. A. Russell

Indiana Conference

Office Address, 521 E. 23d St., Indianapolis.

President, E. A. Bristol

Greenfield

Elder Bristol was with the Greenfield church Sabbath, October 3, and baptized four persons. The church has been reorganized with thirteen members.

Our Sabbath school membership now is twenty-two. While the company is small, all the members are faithful and the Lord is blessing the efforts that are being put forth. We are meeting with stubborn resistance, and the interest is not what we hoped to see for the amount of work done, but our faith in God is strong and we expect some others to take their stand for the truth soon. We are having the church building papered and painted this week and making other repairs. Remember the work here in your prayers.

H. M. Kelley

Marion Institute

The first institute of the series, planned for this fall and winter among a number of the churches of our conference, convened last Friday evening. Meeting was opened by Elder E. A. Bristol and all listened very attentively to the discourse of the evening.

The members of the Marion church entered heartily into the institute, and plans were laid to do aggressive missionary work. A number have taken up work with the Home Workers' Prospectus. Several plan to take up the regular canvassing work and others volunteer their service to distribute tracts and other literature.

A neat display of literature was on hand, and nearly \$25 worth was sold. Funds were also collected to send another student to Beechwood Academy.

Sunday evening Elder W. A. Young, chaplain of the Wabash Sanitarium, delivered a timely discourse on the Eastern Question, the seating capacity of the church being filled. A goodly number consecrated themselves to the service of the Master, and we trust that this good spirit may prevail in the remaining institutes to be held this season. E. E. FRANKLIN

W. E. BAILEY

Church Schools

The Indianapolis church school employs two teachers. Mrs. E. E. Franklin has the upper grades and Miss Ruth Huffman of Battle Creek, Mich., has the primary department. Both teachers are experienced, and are doing excellent work. In about two weeks they will move to their new rooms. The rooms are being modernly equipped. Several gifts have been made to the school. We hope to have the best school this city has ever had.

The new school room at Kokomo is being completed. As yet Miss Wolfe conducts her school in the main auditorium of the church building. The children are doing commendable work. This school has about doubled its enrollment this year.

The school work at Greentown was delayed two weeks on account of the illness of their teacher, Miss Lillian Hinton. Miss Ada Achor has filled the vacancy, and work is being taken up in earnest.

Hartford City has the largest enrollment the school has ever had. Eleven pupils are in the first grade. Miss Blanche Hicks, one of our faithful teachers, is getting along nicely with her school. They have a well-organized Junior Society, and several pupils are going to take the Reading Course.

We have two schools at Muncie. Miss Leta Rumery, Allegan, Mich., is teaching on Liberty Street. The pupils of this school are very industrious. They have a pleasant schoolroom, and are planning to make this their best sohool years. Miss Beatrice Murphy has charge of the school on Ninth Street. The school has about doubled its membership this year. A J. M. V. Society was organized last week. They have already ordered their Reading Course book. Miss Murphey has ordered one hundred copies of the Harvest Ingathering *Review* for her school to dispose of this fall.

Brother H. L. Branson, who has had several years' experience in school work, is teaching at Anderson. This school has a good attendance, and the pupils are anxious to do faithful work. A gift of all the maps of all continents has been made to the Anderson church school.

CAROLYN RASMUSSEN

Wisconsin Conference

Office Address, Grand Rapids, Wis. President, W. H. Thurston

A Visit to Oakland Church

The Oakland church is located eight miles west of Ft. Atkinson and is one of the oldest churches in the denomination. I reached there the 8th and began meetings that night and continued until Sunday night. We held a quarterly meeting Sabbath and the attendance was very good. The evening meetings were well attended from the outside and Sunday night it became necessary to bring in chairs from private houses. All manifested a deep interest in the truths presented. This was my first visit to Oakland and I was pleased to find the believers all interested in missionary work and doing what they can to advance the cause. Sister Andrew Serns, nearly seventy years old, is active in distributing the Special Review and soliciting funds. She gave a very interesting account of her work and she is not through yet.

Her earnestness and her perseverance impress the people to give. The church school there, in charge of Laura Antisdell, is progressing well.

They told me that the Oakland church has sent out eight ministers into the gospel work. "As his part is that goeth down to the battle, so shall his part be that tarrieth by the stuff; they shall fare alike."

W. H. THURSTON

Missionary Conventions

According to the general plan of holding missionary and young people's conventions in the various local conferences, these meetings have been arranged for Wisconsin as follows: Appleton, October 23–25; Eau Claire, October 30 to November 1.

A general attendance is expected from the churches within reach of these places. The Union secretary, field agent, and Missionary Volunteer secretary are expected to attend, and the president, tract society secretary, and Missionary Volunteer secretary of this conference, as well as other workers.

May not these conventions be made occasions for a great awakening of our people, workers, and lay members alike in view of the demands of the hour? Especially do we urge our young people to attend these gatherings, which by the grace of God will be seasons of great spiritual refreshing.

Notice of Dedication

The Lord willing, our church at Washburn will be dedicated on Sunday, October 25, at 2:30 P.M. Several meetings will be held at that time. The first meeting will be on Thursday evening the 22d. The president of the conference and other workers will be present, and the meetings will be conducted in both the English and Scandinavian languages. Those of our people living near should plan to attend some of these meetings, especialy Sabbath and Sunday.

S. SORENSEN

News Notes

The following from Takoma Park shows how the periodicals are in demand: "For the past two weeks or more, the Baltimore and Ohio Railway has dropped off a regular mail car for our use at Takoma Park station. The car has been practically filled each day. So you see, we are sending out periodicals by the car load daily."

Somebody is doing something with the papers all over the continent.

Church clerks send in your reports to the office for the quarter just closed.

There would be more happiness in the world if people would pay their debts as they pay their grudges.

Miss Frances Case visited the Clearwater Lake church school last week.

Elder T. G. Lewis was in Wisconsin last week moving his household goods to Illinois.

The crops on the Bethel school farm average very good this year and the potato crop will be about 500 bushels. The dairy has done better this year than it ever did before and the stock is in good condition.

Elder Lewsadder reports one more baptized in Fond du Lac and others deeply interested in the truth.

Elder Hoffman has ordered 300 Harvest Ingathering *Review* and is putting in two weeks' time in gathering funds for missions.

One worker suggests that all the workers set their aim at \$100 each for missions.

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* Churches that are not credited in the above list are those whose treasurers did not get their report in to the office in time to go in with the Sept. report; this will appear in the next report.

SPECIAL NOTICE.—Wanted: the name on post card of every Seventh-day Adventist family in Wisconsin. We will send free by mail something that will interest and benefit you. Send at once to Sanitarium Food Co., 558 Anthony Ave., St. Paul, Minn.

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East Michigan Conference

Office Address, Holly, Mich. President, Wm. Guthrie

Consecration Services.

It was recommended at the last session of the General Conference that our Sabbath schools hold consecration services at least twice a year, that the youth and children might take a definite stand for the Lord.

In our Sabbath school teaching, we sow much seed, but too often forget to reap the harvest. We wait for the minister or Bible worker to do this. Now why not receive the blessing ourselves, and save the children before the conference worker may have opportunity to come to us?

The scripture is taught week by week, but we lose golden opportunities, possibly, by waiting. Perhaps we are timid, or may be we think we do not know how to hold consecration services. Probably many do not think anything about the matter. However, there are some who do, and their efforts are crowned with rich experiences.

Here is a letter from the Hazelton Sabbath school which speaks of the value of consecration services:

"The Lord is blessing in the work for the children and young people. Two weeks ago we held a consecration service, and all but three gave themselves for service. The Lord came very near older ones as well as the children and young people. We felt the Lord's presence near. Will try to have such services, at least twice a year. Can't afford to lose the blessing."

Will not those who received the letter before camp meeting, regarding such services, please resurrect the instruction and study the matter afresh, then plan, pray, and put into action?

The days are hastening. We can not afford to delay. Time is too precious, and souls too valuable.

Write me if you wish more instruction. I am at your service in behalf of the little people.

Mrs. Lee Wheeler

426 Trumbull Ave. Detroit, Mich.

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North Michigan Conference

Office Address, 510 Petoskey St., Petoskey, Mich.
President, J. J. Irwin

Upper Peninsula

In Sault Ste. Marie the believers are organized for service and it is not without results. Every member of our little company is engaged in active missionary work. Systematic effort is being put forth with tracts, magazines, the War Extra, weekly *Signs*, missionary visiting, holding Bible readings, inviting the people out

to the services in our hall, and the Harvest Ingathering work is being vigorously carried out.

We are rejoiced to see some being brought to the message through the work being done. One lady was brought to see the light through reading a Signs magazine sold by one of our sisters to a neighbor of this lady. While the neighbor has not yet accepted the truth the lady mentioned has been faithfully walking in the light and laboring for her friends and neighbors. Two other women have been led to identify themselves with the remnant church through the untiring efforts of two of the members here in giving a reason for the hope that is in them and in getting them out to the meetings where they have heard further truth. Still another has chosen the way of those who "keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus," through attending our church services and Bible readings in her home.

The attendance at the Sabbath meetings is on the increase, and our Sunday night meetings are bringing new people to hear the message for this time.

We have plans laid to raise more than our quota of the Twenty-cent-a-week Fund.

This spirit of diligence and consecration I have seen wherever I have visited among the other companies in the Peninsula. Recently a visit was made to the Laketon company, in the interest of the emergency fund for missions, and a liberal response was made in pledges.

After the organization and dedication of the Zeba church, which has already been reported, in company with Elder Irwin and Prof. J. G. Lamson, I went to Houghton and spent six busy days with the believers in that vicinity. Professor Lamson remained over two nights speaking each evening to, not large, but appreciative audiences on "The Meaning of the War" and "The Meaning of Armageddon." Here we found additions being made to the number of Sabbathkeepers through the endeavor of the members. adults have here recently come into the truth and are rejoicing in their new-found faith. increase was noted in attendance at the Sabbath school since our last visit to Houghton. company which goes under the name of the Hancock church, is ahead to date on their quota of mission Additional pledges were made too, on the funds. emergency fund.

On Sabbath, October 3, two persons were baptized by the writer. A consecration service was held on the above date and practically every one present manifested a desire to gain complete victory over every besetment and do better service for the Master.

E. F. Peterson

Cedar Lake Academy

Cedar Lake Academy opened September 9 with a higher enrollment than any previous year, there being fifty-one above the seventh grade, and thirty-six in the primary department. The present attendance exceeds any corresponding month of former years. The majority of the students are new. The Bible classes are well filled with students who are enthusiastically entering upon this school year.

Repairs and improvements are being made for the

benefit of the school. The printing press recently purchased has been set up in a room partitioned off from the carpenter shop. Some of our boys have already begun to learn the printer's trade. The rhetoric class anticipates profitable hours of experience to be gained here before completing their year's work. The second number of the *Academic Advocate* will soon be out with its friendly news column, and words of cheer.

The sewing class has been organized; members of the carpentry class have found opportunity to try their new tools.

The past summer has been exceptionally favorable to the farm. The boys are now busy gathering an abundant harvest.

Cedar Lake Academy is anxious to give her students the training that will best fit them for useful places in the Master's service.

FYRNN FORD

September

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^{*} Church name changed from L'Anse to Zeba.

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| Miscellaneous | \$3.98 |
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| Amount Short First Nine Months | \$3111.05 |

Southern Illinois Conference

S. E. KELLMAN, Treasurer

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Annual Address

Another year with its joys and sorrows, its blessings and labor has ended, and we find ourselves once more assembled on the camp ground. Many are here whose faces we see every year; some are here for the first time, some are not here because their work has ceased in this world, and they await the call of the Life giver. The severe drought of the last two years, and the financial depression in our field is the reason why others are not with us. Let us pray the Lord to bless those who are compelled to remain at home.

Object of Assembling Together

In Hebrews 10:25 the Lord says, "Let us not forsake the assembling of ourselves together, and so much the more as we see the day approaching." The meeting with old friends and the privilege of visiting with so many of like precious faith is a pleasure

to all; yet our primary object in being together is to pray and seek to receive that spiritual refreshing which will fit us for the momentous times in which we live, and which will eventually give us a home in the earth made new.

The Spiritual Side of Our Meeting

Spiritual things are to receive the greatest consideration. We must all return to our homes better prepared to live the truth before others. We must be better Christians, better fathers and mothers, better husbands and wives.

Paul, while preaching to the believers at Ephesus, asked them, "Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?" Let us daily ask ourselves this question.

The early morning meetings are to be devoted as usual to prayer and consecration. Let none of us sleep while God comes in the early morning hour to give us a blessing that will keep us through the day and fit us to receive from the meetings the spiritual help we need. The district meetings ought to be a time when as prayer bands we seek God for something definite. Above all, let us not forsake secret prayer. Let us not leave a stone unturned that will make this the best camp meeting that Southern Illinois has ever enjoyed.

This meeting ought to see victories gained, not only by us who are assembled here, but also let us get the burden for our loved ones, that as a result of our prayers, shouts of victory may arise from every quarter of our conference.

A Burden for Our Young People

Do we realize the work we must do for the young? In my travels through the conference the past year, I find that we are losing about fifty per cent of the young men and women to the world. About seventyfive per cent of those who have married during the past ten years have married outside this truth, and a very small percentage of these are in the message today. We should at this meeting lay definite plans for our young people to come more in touch with our message by taking the Standard of Attainment and Reading Courses. We should, as lovers of this message, seek for our children to receive the advantage of church schools and for our young people to get the higher education in our academies and colleges, also let us strive to make our homes attractive to our children,—homes of love and companionship. Let us make our Sabbath schools more interesting. Let us by example and precept teach the young to work for the saving of souls; and last, but not least, let us guard our words in the home that the children shall not hear criticisms and fault-finding from us, but let us reveal to them that we are loyal to this truth and that we love it.

Omens of the Coming of Christ

Does not the fulfilment of prophecy cause us to see, as never before, that the message which led the pioneers of our faith to labor and sacrifice and has brought us out of the world, is all that has ever been claimed for it? Is there one of us today that doubts the message? Brethren and sisters, we are almost home. Let us see what has transpired the past year: First.—The development of the beast power in our

nation has manifested itself in a very material way. Second.—The labor world is in a desperate condition as seen by the strikes in Michigan, in the West, and in the threatened strikes we have seen everywhere. Third.—The condition of the nations. Our own nation has faced the condition of war, and now the whole of Europe is just on the verge of the great crisis that the prophets of old have vividly pictured before our minds.

Brethren, God is seconding our efforts, and what a wonderful opportunity we have to bring tangible evidence to the attention of the world to show them this is the truth. This conference should carefully consider the home missionary work and take steps that will create a deeper interest in this branch of our work.

The Finishing of the Work

"When this gospel shall be preached to all the world for a witness unto all nations, then shall the end come." The message of the third angel must go, and this people must carry it. If this people can be restrained from taking hold of this work, Satan will be pleased. What he is planning is for this people to be lukewarm, satisfied, and filled with ease. But the lukewarm will God spue out of His mouth.

It will take every Seventh-day Adventist to carry this message to the world. Not that all will leave their homes, not that all will be missionaries on the frontier, but all can have a part, and the part that we can act is a necessary part in giving the truth to the regions beyond. We are asked to give \$6,385.60 this year and up to August 1 we have raised but \$2,337.81, only a little more than one-third of the amount required and over one-half of the time gone.

Steps must be taken at this meeting to relieve this situation. We have reasons, however, to be encouraged for the first seven months this year we raised \$479.38 more than was raised last year in the same length of time.

Operating, or Tithe Fund

In this fund God has wonderfully blessed us, for we have seen two successive years of drought, and still have been able the past year to see a good gain. In the year 1913 this conference received from the Union \$2,000, while in 1914 we have only received \$1,000 from the Union and still are better off today than we were a year ago by about \$600. On August 1 our deficit in this fund was only \$42. If we all are faithful in giving to the Lord His own, we shall soon be on our feet. There was more tithe received in the first seven months of 1913 than during the same length of time in 1914. Last year there was a windfall of nearly \$500, which we have not received this year. The regular tithe has seen some increase. For the first seven months of 1913 it was \$6,206.08 and for 1914 it has been \$6,126.40.

The Conference Expense

A few years ago this Union adopted a plan whereby the conference expense could be met, tents bought, poor cared for, and interest and insurance paid. This plan is the two-per-cent plan. Of the funds received by the plan the college receives one-fourth to apply on its indebtedness. We have received during the first seven months of this year about \$100 more than in the same time last year. Those faithful in paying this fund are the ones who have met the conference expense, and those who are not are hardly dealing fairly with those who have. For those who have paid their two-per-cent we shall take the money from this fund to pay their tent rent at this meeting. If those who did not pay it were to receive their rent that would be making those who have paid it meet the expense of the others.

Evangelistic Work

We have in our conference employed as laborers in the field three ordained ministers, two actively engaged; three licentiates, and three missionary licentiates. In official work as heads of departments, officers, and office help we have five laborers, making a total of thirteen. A spirit of unity exists among these laborers and by their faithful efforts some have been added to the faith and new churches organized. Since our last meeting work has been done in Taylorville, Mackinaw, Alton, Decatur, Pana, and Altamont. Some work has been done at Danville, and at Danville and Alton new churches have been organized. There is an interest at nearly all of these places, but I shall leave this to the laborers to report. Our membership now stands at 717 with twenty-eight organized churches. The present standing of our tithe fund and the prospects for the future will necessitate some adjustment in our working

Changes in the Field

There are only three laboring for the conference who were laborers in 1913. Mrs. Nettie Eaton-Phipps, who has served this conference faithfully for many years, resigned her position as treasurer about the beginning of the year. Sister McClellan has taken up work in Indiana. Others who have gone from our field are Elder L. W. Browne and Brother H. M. Kelley, both to Indiana, and Brother I. C. Schmidt to Walla Walla College. Brother Durward Williams is to take up college work at Berrien Springs. The Lord has blessed us in securing good help to take their places and the future of our field look encouraging.

The Canvassing Work

I do not wish to say much about this work as our state agent will fully report it. I feel that we are blessed in having such a faithful corps of workers, and should thank the Lord for the success that has attended their efforts.

The Tract Society

The tract society is doing well, and to the canvassing work is the credit due. The net gain for this department for 1913 was \$1,041.96. For the first seven months of this year the department has made a good gain over last year.

The Other Departments

The young people's, Sabbath school, and educational work have been carried by one person until the first of May of this year. Your committee felt that greater success could attend the work in these branches if they were separated. The experience of the past three months has verified this, and we would recommend that this conference continue this division.

Plans for Work

With 68 counties in our field and only 40 of them entered with evangelistic work, we have a great work before us. We have the most unworked territory of any conference in the Union. The greater part of our work has been done in the southeastern part of the conference, while the portion having fertile land, and the richest country has been neglected but should be entered. It is recommended that our work for the coming year be in this new territory.

Expression of Thanks

We ought to thank our Heavenly Father for His goodness and the opportunity we have of being on these grounds. Let us consecrate ourselves anew to Him and go from here with renewed determination to quickly finish the work.

In behalf of the conference committee.

A. J. CLARK, President

Conference Proceedings

The twelfth annual session of the Southern Illinois Conference was held at Altamont, Ill., in connection with the camp meeting, August 27 to Sept. 6, 1914.

There were present as workers, Elders F. W. Paap and C. L. Benson from the General Conference; Elders L. H. Christian, C. F. McVagh, and W. A. Westworth, also Brethren J. B. Blosser, C. A. Russell, J. W. Mace, O. J. Graf, and J. B. Clymer from within the Union, besides all the laborers in our own field.

The usaul reports from the president, the secretary and the treasurer, the heads of the different departments, and all the laborers were rendered. One day was given to the colporteur work, and one to the educational work.

There were two churches received into the conference—the Danville church and the East Alton church.

The following committees planned the work of the conference — Nominations: E. F. Ferris, Hugh Sterns, Jacob Figgins, L. L. Logan, and E. M. Fishell; Plans and Resolutions: R. J. Nethery, W. C. Dalby, J. O. Ferris, C. L. Benson, E. M. Fishell, Mrs. A. J. Clark, Mable Hicks, and J. B. Blosser; Credentials and License: David Rodney, L. H. Christian, C. H. Bliss, W. A. Westworth, G. M. Hicks, and W. W. Brayshaw.

The Committee on Nominations made the following report which was adopted: president, A. J. Clark; secy. treas., F. H. Johnson, tract society secy. and treas., F. H. Johnson; secretary of the Sabbath school and educational work, Mable Hicks; of the Young People's Missionary Volunteers, Mrs. A. J. Clark; field agent, E. M. Fishell.

Ministerial credentials were granted to A. J. Clark, E. F. Ferris, and R. J. Nethery. Honorary credentials to C. H. Bliss. Ministerial license to J. O. Ferris, F. H. Johnson. Missionary Credentials to C. F. Woertz, and C. W. Curtis, Mrs. A. J. Clark, E. M. Fishell, Mabel Hicks, Mary B. Graig, and C. J. Smith.

Colporteur credentials were granted to Hugh Stearns, David Rodney, A. P. Lager, Harry Bennett, W. B. Maris, Ivan S. Falconer, Jerry Suda, and John Evitts.

The following resolutions were adopted by the conference:

Whereas our Heavenly Father has seen fit in His

mercy to allow many of us to assemble once more in annual conference, and

Whereas in His goodness, He has spared all of our workers, with but one exception, and has given them prosperity more or less in their work for souls; therefore,—

1. Resolved, That we acknowledge to our merciful Heavenly father, in this open session, His goodness and loving kindness to us during the past year, and pledge to Him anew our consecration to the work of the third angel's message in all its branches.

Whereas God in His wisdom has seen fit to take from us by death one of our faithful workers, Lena Shaskey by name; therefore.—

2. We determine to bow in resignation to God's providence in this affliction, for we mourn not as do others that have no hope, believing our sister sleeps in Jesus,—that her life is hid with Christ in God, and when Jesus comes God will take her to Himself. And further we do express by this resolution our heartfelt sympathy to the dear ones and friends who mourn at her demise.

Resolutions Concerning Religious Liberty Work

Believing in the absolute separation of church and state, and that Sunday laws are a manifest interference with civil and religious freedom; therefore,—

3. Resolved, That we continue to protest against the enforcement of laws by civil government for the enactment of Sunday observance, or any other religious enactment which discriminates between the different sects as being a perversion of Christian principles and a departure from the American idea of civil government.

Whereas the magazine *Liberty* has done efficient work among the state legislatures, executive officers, and judges in moulding sentiment against religious legislation and the enforcement of Sunday laws; therefore,—

- 4. Resolved, That our conference continue to supply this magazine to the members of the state legislature, supreme and district court judges, and the governor and his staff; and that the necessary expense involved in this item be taken out of the annual collection for local religious liberty work.
- 5. Resolved, That we protest against the Sunday bills now pending in the United States Senate and House of Representatives as being contrary to the principles of religious liberty upon which this government was founded; and that a copy of the resolution be sent to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House.

Whereas the counsel from the Lord in Scripture and testimony exhort us to be "wise as serpents and harmless as doves," and that in our aggressive work we do not become entangled with worldly methods or plans; therefore,—

6. Resolved, That in our religious liberty work we use the utmost care in methods of campaigning, including the work of advertising, selection of topics, etc.

Whereas the conference committee saw fit to divide the responsibilities of the educational, young people's and Sabbath school work, placing them upon two individuals instead of one; therefore,— 7. Resolved, That we approve of their action and recommend that it be continued the coming year.

Whereas, the Signs, Watchman, Protestant, Liberty, and Life and Health are among our leading missionary periodicals and contain the third angel's message in a most interesting and convincing way, and

Whereas these magazines are accomplishing definite results in calling the attention of the people to the truth; therefore,—

- 8. We recommend, (1) That they be placed in every home and be sold in clubs wherever possible.
- (2) That suitable persons be engaged to take up the sale of these periodicals in our large cities.
- (3) That these persons make earnest efforts to take subscriptions and also develop a list of regular customers for single copies.
- (4) That our church missionary and young people's societies present annual subscriptions of these periodicals to their respective Y. M. C. A.'s, public libraries and other institutions in their neighborhood and that each secretary be encouraged to take a club each month for home missionary purposes.

Temperance and Prohibition

Whereas we are instructed that "in our work more attention should be given to the temperance reform" and "every true reform has its place in the third angel's message," and the curse of intemperance "must be more boldly met in the future than it has been in the past," and further that, "the advocates of temperance fail to do their whole duty unless they exert their influence by precept and example, by voice, and pen, and vote in behalf of prohibition and total abstinence; therefore,—

9. We recommend, That our people everywhere be urged to prepare for a united and effective action when the question of prohibition of the liquor traffic shall be submitted to a vote of the people in their respective communities, and further, that this question receive due attention at our camp meetings and other general meetings and that we encourage a large circulation of the Temperance number of the Youth's Instructor and other up-to-date literature on this subject.

National Prohibition Amendment

Whereas the subject of national prohibition of the liquor traffic is now engaging the attention of the Congress of the United States which is focused in House Joint Resolution 158 and Senate Joint Resolution 88 and 50, and,

Whereas the judiciary committees of both houses have conducted hearings on the subject resulting in placing the matter at this time before the House of Representatives and which will likely be the case with regard to the Senate; therefore,—

10. Resolved, That we place ourselves on record as commending the actions thus far taken and hereby petition the Congress to adopt the joint resolutions herein referred to, and that a copy of this resolution be communicated to the chairmen of the two judiciary committees and to Honorable Richmond P. Hobson, and Honorable Morris Sheppard of Washington, D. C.

Whereas the furnishing of free tent rent during the camp meeting, as an encouragement to those who were faithful in paying the two per cent of their income the past year, has proved a very satisfactory plan; therefore,—

11. We recommend, That the plan be continued the coming year.

Whereas the Second Springfield church is still considered a missionary enterprise and as it has been very difficult for them to raise necessary funds to carry on their school work owing to the peculiar conditions existing there; therefore,—

12. Be it resolved, That we still consider it our obligation as a conference to help them in their school endeavor the coming year to the extent of three-fourths of their expenses; and further recommend that the conference committee be empowered to designate the times during the year when these offerings shall be made by the churches throughout the conference.

Whereas the spirit of prophecy has said, "the special efforts of ministers, and of workers all through our ranks, for this time should be to turn away the attention of the youth from all exciting stories to the sure word of prophecy;" therefore,—

- 13. We recommend, (a) That our people, old and young, study our doctrines and denominational history thus striving to become Members of Attainment.
- (b) That our workers and lay-members daily observe the Morning Watch.

Whereas many of our young people are losing their Christian experience by reading novels and exciting stories; therefore,—

- 14. We recommend, That every effort be put forth to turn the attention of our young people from pernicious literature and get them to read the excellent books offered in the Missionary Volunteer Reading Courses. A motion was made that these resolutions be accepted. Carried.
- 15. Resolved, That the following recommendations which were passed at the last session of the Lake Union Conference be adopted by this conference:

"Whereas there is need of a uniform plan of dealing with our colporteurs throughout the whole field; therefore.—

- "(1) We recommend, That the following courtesies be extended to the regular accredited colporteurs by each of our conferences: (a) That the local conferences pay the transportation and moving expenses of our regular colporteurs when it is necessary for them to move to new territory, provided that such amount be determind by this committee.
- "(b) Railway fares to and from the regular yearly colporteurs' institute with free entertainment while there.
 - "(c) Railroad fares to and from camp meeting.
- "(d) That they be furnished with the Review and Herald and LAKE UNION HERALD free.
- "(2) We recommend, That colporteurs' credentials be given by our local conferences to such colporteurs as have attained to a satisfactory standard in all important features of their work, and that these credentials be granted by the conference in session on recommendation by the committee on Licenses and Credentials, and that the following conditions be the basis on which these be given: (a) That he be sound in the message.
 - "(b) Proper influence, dress, and manners.
- "(c) That he keep free from debt to the Tract Society.

- "(d) Faithful and industrious in the use of his time.
- "(3) That new recruits to the regular work of the colporteur have their railroad fare paid to the field of labor, with the understanding that it is to be refunded to the conference if he does not continue to work faithfully for at least one year.
- "(4) That where it is desirable for colporteurs to change their field of labor to another conference, there be as full an understanding between the conferences concerned as in the case of the transfer of other laborers.
- "(5) We would recommend, That the railroad fares of all scholarship book workers to their field of labor be refunded to them on condition that they agree to, and do put in eleven weeks of faithful time canvassing; and when they have earned their first-class scholarship, and paid up in full to the tract society, they be paid their railroad fare back to school.

"In harmony with the instruction by the spirit of prophecy that 'all real workers should receive good pay; but the sum should not in any wise be increased to buy canvassers; for this course hurts them. It makes them selfish and spendthrifts.' 'Manual for Canvassers,' page 56; therefore,—

"(6) We recommend, That we discourage all extra inducements, such as prizes, larger commissions, etc., and 'lift up the standard and let the self-denying and self-sacrificing the lovers of God and humanity, join the army of workers.'"

Home Missionary Department

Believing that the hour has come when our people must devote themselves most earnestly to the finishing of the work, and desiring that every Seventh day Adventist in this conference shall take an active part in getting the third angel's message before the people of this conference; therefore,—

16. We recommend, (1) That a special missionary campaign, beginning with October 1, 1914, and continuing until the work is done, be definitely planned for by all our people.

As a working basis on which we may all unite, we suggest the following: (a) That each church be organized into missionary bands with suitable department leaders.

- (b) That these bands carry forward cottage meetings, Bible studies, medical missionary work, missionary correspondence, the selling of and lending of our small books, and the distribution of tracts, pamphlets, periodicals, and magazines, and other lines of missionary endeavor.
- (c) That we encourage every church member to engage daily in definite prayer for the salvation of some particular person or persons for whom the Lord may give a special burden.
- (d) That during the Sabbath services of the coming year we unite in prayer, beseeching the Lord's blessing upon the community in which we live, praying that the Lord may bring souls to Himself,—and also for our ministry,—that there may be a large ingathering of souls.
 - (2) That when possible a suitable leader and

organizer visit the churches and set before them in detail the purpose and plans for our coming missionary campaign. (a) By organizing the churches into missionary bands, and helping to select and instruct suitable leaders.

- (b) By carring on a vigorous correspondence, keeping before the churches the importance and possibilities of home missionary work.
- (c) By soliciting large clubs of the campaign number of the *Signs of the Times* endeavoring to reach the goal of not less than two copies of the paper for each church member.
- (d) By encouraging the church to order in time so that a good supply of literature may be on hand for this work.
- (e) By taking monthly donations from now until the campaign closes, in order that ample funds may be in hand to pay for the missionary literature.
- (3) That our pioneer missionary paper, the Signs of the Times, be made a more active agent in our home missionary effort for the finishing of the work.

That large clubs of the Signs of the Times be solicited from our churches by those in charge of the work, and that we make the goal for the circulation of this paper not less than an average of two copies for each church member.

That in addition to the use of the mails, we organize our churches for effective house to house work, territory assigned to individuals as in the book work.

(4) That all conference officers and laborers unite with the laymembers in a more earnest campaign in church missionary endeavor.

Whereas the Harvest Ingathering Campaign has already proved a great blessing by acquainting the people with this world-wide movement, and at the same time has furnished means with which to extend the work,

17. Be it resolved, That we put forth more earnest efforts in connection with the 1914 Harvest Ingathering Campaign, setting our goal for at least \$5 per member.

Whereas we are instructed that, "as a church, as individuals, if we would stand clear in the judgement, we must make more liberal efforts for the training of our young people,"

- 18. We recommend, That in all our churches where there are at least six children to attend, most earnest and prayerful consideration be given to the matter of establishing a church school.
- 19. We recommend, That those who have completed the church school be urged to attend Fox River Academy, and that those who have finished ten grades be encouraged to enter Emmanuel Missionary College.

Whereas there is need of an organized effort to arouse our people generally to the value of education in qualifying our young people to fill their place and part in the finishing of the work,—

20. We recommend, That in our churches and large public gatherings an effort be made to turn the hearts of the parents more fully to the importance of giving their children the education necessary to efficient missionary service.

Whereas there is great need of increasing the efficiency of our teaching force;

- 21. We recommend, (a) That all our primary teachers and prospective teachers be urged to avail themselves of the privileges of the summer school, and
- (b) that a teachers' institute be held annually at some convenient time and place, the expense of sending teachers being borne by the conference, the churches employing such teachers to be asked to continue their salary during the time of the institute.

Whereas the results already seen in the increased efficiency of our teaching force are largely due to the work of the normal department of Emmanuel Missionary College; therefore,—

- 22. We recommend, That our laborers in all departments unite heartily in urging young people of ability to avail themselves of the advantages offered by the normal department in the training of teachers.
- 23. We recommend, That all our churches faithfully observe the educational Sabbaths appointed each year by the North American Division Department of Education.

Whereas it is the study of the Word that constitutes the Christian's food;

- 24. Be it resolved, (a) That we urge our workers to strive to reach the goal of the daily study of the Sabbath school lesson, and when visiting the homes of our people always to engage in the day's study either at the morning or evening family worship.
- (b) Since the ultimate aim of the Sabbath school is to win all to Christ, that we pray, study and work to meet this God-given responsibility.
- (c) Since twenty cents a week per member is our mission quota, we recommend all our Sabbath schools to do their utmost to reach this goal.

The last Sabbath Brother R. J. Nethery was set apart by ordination for the work of the gospel ministry. Elder L. H. Christian offered the prayer and Elder F. W. Paap delivered the charge.

The condition of the foreign mission treasury was presented to our people, also the crisis caused by the war conditions in Europe and \$4,000 was given in cash and pledges to this work. This was the two Sabbath school donations.

On the last day of the meeting Elder E. F. Ferris baptized seventeen. The dear Lord came very near, and a good spirit prevailed during the meeting.

A. J. CLARK, President F. H. JOHNSON, Secretary

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West Michigan Conference

Office Address, 1214 Madison Ave., Grand Rapids, Mich. President, C. F. McVagh

Howard City

There was formerly a church here, but it was disbanded. Some moved away and some gave up the the truth until only four were left. No meetings were held for years. One year ago last winter the writer moved here, and a Sabbath school and meetings were started. An interest is shown in missionary work, and the Harvest Ingathering campaign has been successfully entered upon. Some have resumed paying tithe, and the outlook is hopeful It has all come about through the blessing of God for which we give Him praise. We earnestly desire that a minister visit us.

S. A. HOLDEN

News Items

The Grand Rapids church has secured a lot and is now making plans to erect a church school building.

Wm Reefman is laboring at Kalamazoo.

Lillian V. Hanson will join the corps of workers at Grand Rapids for the winter.

Sixty reports were received from the church treasurers for September. The tithe was the largest ever received by the conference office in the month of September, \$5,044.41. The two-per-cent also shows up well, \$230.55, besides \$2,429.56 for missions.

Out of sixty churches reporting in September, fifty show some two-per-cent along with the tithe and missions money. This is encouraging. We hope the other ten fall in line.

We need to send forward \$5,000 a month for missions for the next three months in order to finish even on the Twenty-cents-a-week Fund in West Michigan. We can do it if all lift together. Don't forget your pledges.

Elder L. H. Christian spent Sabbath and Sunday with the Grand Rapids church. His help was very much appreciated. After a stirring talk Sunday night, a call was made and \$650 pledged for missions. Grand Rapids now expects to meet their full apportionment to mission funds.

Fall in! every church in West Michigan with Battle Creek and Grand Rapids for a full quota of mission funds for 1914.

We have now ordered 100 more Ingathering *Review* this year than last year. This is good, and from the reports coming in we ought to double our receipts of last year.

Elder E. I. Beebe was a caller at the office last week. He reports that Sister Beebe is improving in health and is expected home soon. Brother Beebe spent Sabbath and Sunday with the Kalamazoo church. He will begin visiting churches at once in the interest of the home missionary work.

A card from Elder U. S. Anderson tells of his return to Charlotte where he will continue the good work started by the tent meetings and camp meetings.

Sister Almeda Nelsen sails from New York October 30 for her new field in the Bahamas. We are sorry to have her leave West Michigan, but this is one

message, and West Michigan has always shown a willingness to sacrifice for other fields.

Elder C. E. White spent Sabbath and Sunday at Otsego. The attendance and interest were very encouraging.

Elder C. F. McVagh was called to Portland Friday, October 9, to attend the funeral of Brother Sanborn, father of Elder Sanborn, president of the New Jersey conference. Elder Sanborn remained with the little company at Portland over Sabbath, and Elder McVagh enjoyed a Sabbath's service with the Grand Ledge church. They are of good courage in the Lord.

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Northern Illinois Conference Office Address, 3645 Ogden Ave., Chicago, Ill. President, G. E. Langdon

Conference Proceedings

The twelfth annual session of the Northern Illinois Conference of Seventh-day Adventists was held at Downers Grove, Ill., September 3–13, 1914 in connection with the annual camp meeting. Nine meetings of the conference were held. Thirty-two delegates at large and eighty-six delegates representing thirty-six churches were present and participated in the conference.

The first meeting was called to order by the president, Elder Langdon, at 9 A. M. Monday, September 7. The opening prayer was offered by Elder L. H. Christian, president of the Lake Union Conference. Sixty-six delegates were present at this meeting and were given seats in the conference.

An Italian church consisting of fifteen members located in Chicago was admitted to the conference membership, and its delegates duly seated.

Upon request, it was voted by the delegates that the name of the Chicago Ravenswood church be be changed to Chicago North Shore church.

The appointment of standing committees was next given consideration. On motion by J. W. Cummings, supported by W. C. Foreman, it was voted that the standing committees be nominated by the executive committee of the conference in counsel with Elders O. A. Olsen and L. H. Christian. At the second meeting this committee rendered the following report. which was adopted: Nominations,—J. B. Blosser, H. P. Buzzell, A. C. Gaylord, Adolph Johnson, J. B. Clymer, Wm Covert and A. J. Foreman; Plans,-Prof. C. L. Benson, T. F. Hubbard, P. E. Broderson, J. W. Cummings, W. D. Forde, Anna Hibben, J. A. Applegate, H. E. Moon, David Voth, A. Johnson, C. A. Russell, Edith Shepard, Dr. E. G. Norman, F. J. Harris, and R. Calderone; Licenses and Credentials,—O. A. Olsen, Wm Covert, L. H. Christian, A. Christiansen and S. O. Lane; Finance,— L. H. Christian, J. B. Clymer, J. W. Cummings, A. J. Clark and W. A. Marsh, Jr.; Seating of Delegates,-F. J. Harris, W. D. Forde, and T. G. Lewis.

The following are reports of these committees adopted by these delegates:

Report of Committee on Nominations: president: G. E. Langdon; sec'y and treas., H. E. Moon; executive committee: G. E. Langdon, Wm. Covert, J. B. Clymer, W. C. Foremen, P. E. Broderson, J. W. Cummings, David Voth; missionary secretary: H. E. Moon; field missionary agt: J. A. Applegate; young peoples Miss. Volunteer sec'y: Edith Shepard; educational supt.: Edith Shepard; Sabbath school sec'y: Gladys Seely; religious liberty sec'y: G. E. Langdon; board of trustees Illinois Conference Assn. of Seventh-day Adventists: G. E. Langdon, Wm. Covert, J. B. Clymer, W. C. Foreman, H. E. Moon, David Voth, J. W. Cummings; members of school board of Fox Academy from this conference: G. E. Langdon, Wm. Covert, P. E. Broderson; camp meeting committee: C. M. Christianson, J. R. Branson, W. C. Foreman.

Report of Committee on Licenses and Credentials: Ministerial Credentials: G. E. Langdon, J. C. Harris, Dovid Voth, J. M. Erikson, W. D. Forde, Wm. Covert, F. J. Harris, P. E. Broderson, A. Johnson, J. M. Burdick, T. F. Hubbard, T. G. Lewis, L. D. Santee (honorary); for ordination and credentials: R. Calderone; ministerial license: H. P. Waldo, Geo. Wikander, Jacob Fischer; missionary credentials: H. E. Moon, J. B. Clymer, Mrs. Helen Odell, Ella Hancock, Edith Shepard, J. A. Applegate, Mrs. Edna Waldo, Mrs. Hannah Swanson, Miss W. Muller, Miss R. Kozel, Miss Gladys Seely, Miss Anna Johnson, Miss Bertha Stokka, Miss Katherine Rask, Miss Jean Phillips, Miss Anna Hibben, Mrs. Anna Thomson, Dr. Lyman Bedford, Miss Vesta Cash, Miss Ada Madison; A. E. Thomson; colporteurs' credentials: D. R. Devereaux, John Hicks, Lorenzo Clarke, J. C. Nixon, Dan Burgeson; church school teachers' credentials: Miss Mabel Rank, Miss Mabel Seitz, Miss Ruth Wilcox, Miss Mildred Holmes, Miss Romana Holmes, Miss Ella Foreman, Miss Margaret Porter, Miss Marie Asey, Miss Edna Westlund, Miss Hulda Berg, Miss Ida Christensen.

Report of Finance Committee: Whereas Fox River Academy has so large an indebtedness that its very existence is at stake; and,—

Whereas it is doing an excellent work in saving and in training our young people for service, we recommend the following:

- 1. That we appeal to our brethren in both the Northern and the Southern Illinois conferences to give the academy their loyal support and fill the school with students.
- 2. That we of the Northern Illinois Conference endeavor to raise the sum of \$9,000 to apply on the indebtedness.
- 3. That we request the Southern Illinois Conference to raise the sum of \$3,500 on the following conditions:

One third of this sum to become due when one third of the \$9,000 from Northern Illinois is raised; two-thirds to become due when two-thirds of the Northern Illinois portion is raised; and the remainder to fall due when Northern Illinois has completed the raising of the \$9,000.

- 4. That the school be so managed that it does not run behind in its current expenses.
- 5. That accounts and notes receivable be collected as soon as possible, and that any property that the school can dispense with be turned into cash and the proceeds applied on the debt.
- 6. That the interest be reduced by securing money at the lowest rate possible.
- 7. That three members of the Fox River Academy Board be from the Southern Illinois Conference.

Resolutions Adopted

1. We wish to express our heartfelt gratitude to our Heavenly Father for the prosperity of the work and the preservation of the lives of all the workers during the part year, and pledge anew our loyalty to His cause.

Whereas there is need of a uniform plan of dealing with our colporteurs throughout the field; therefore,—

- 2. We recommend, That the following courtesies be extended to the regular accredited colporteurs by this conference. (a) That this conference pay the transportation and moving expenses of our regular colporteurs when it is necessary for them to move to new territory, provided that such move is authorized by the conference committee, and the maximum amount to be determind by this committee.
- (b) Railway fare to and from the regular yearly colporteurs' institute, with free entertainment while there.
 - (c) Railroad fares to and from camp meeting.
- (d) That they be furnished with the *Review and Herald* and LAKE UNION HERALD free.
- 3. We recommend, That colporteur's credentials be given by our local conference to such colporteurs as have attained to a satisfactory standard in all important features of their work, and that these licenses be granted by the conference in session on recommendations by the committee of licenses and credentials, and that the following conditions be the basis on which these be given: (a) That he be sound in the message.

- (b) Proper influence, dress and manner.
- (c) That he keep free from debt to the tract society.
- (d) That he be faithful and industrious in the use of his time, and judicious in all his dealings.
- 4. We recommend, That new recruits to the regular work of the colporteur have their railroad fare paid to the field of labor with the understanding that it is to be refunded to the conference if they do not continue in the work for at least one year.
- 5. We recommend, That where it is desirable for colporteurs to change their field of labor to another conference, that there be as full an understanding between the conferences concerned, as in the transfer of other laborers.
- 6. We would recommend, That the railroad fares of all subscription book scholarship workers to the field of labor be refunded to them on condition that they agree to, and do put in eleven weeks of faithful time canvassing; and when they have earned their first-class scholarship and paid up in full to the tract society for their scholarship and all other accounts with the tract society are settled, they be paid their railroad fare back to school.
- 7. We recommend, That we discourage all extra inducements; such as prizes, large commissions, etc., and seek to "lift up the standard and let the self-denying, self-sacrificing, the lovers of God and humanity, join the army of workers."

Believing the hour has come when our people must devote themselves most earnestly to the finishing of the work, and desiring that every Seventh-day Adventist in the Northern Illinois Conference shall take an active part in getting the third angel's message before the people of this conference; therefore,—

- 8. We recommend, That a special missionary campaign, beginning Oct. 1, 1914 and continuing until the work is done, be definitely planned for by all our people. As a working basis on which we may all unite, we suggest the following: (a) That each church be organized into missionary bands with suitable department leaders.
- (b) That these bands carry forward cottage meetings, Bible studies, medical missionary work, missionary correspondence, the selling and lending of our small books, and the distribution of tracts, pamphlets, periodicals, and magazines, and all other lines of missionary endeavor.
- (c) That we encourage every church member to engage daily in definite prayer for the salvation of some particular person or persons for whom the Lord may give a special burden.
- (d) That during the Sabbath services of the coming year we unite in prayer, beseeching the Lord's blessing upon the communities in which we live, praying that the Lord may lead souls to Himself, and also for our ministry, that there may be a large ingathering of souls.
- 9. We recommend, That when possible a suitable leader and organizer visit the churches, and set before them in detail the purpose and plans of our coming missionary campaign: (a) By organizing the churches into missionary bands, and helping to select and instruct suitable leaders.
 - (b) By carrying on a vigorous correspondence, keep-

ing before the churches the importance and possibilities of this home mission work.

- (c) By soliciting large clubs of the campaign number of the *Signs of the Times*, endeavoring to reach the goal of not less than two copies of the paper for each church member.
- (d) By encouraging the church to order in time so that a good supply of literature may be on hand for this work.
- (e) By taking monthly donations from now until the campaign closes, in order that ample funds may be in hand to pay for the missionary literature.
- 10. We further recommend, That in localities where there is a large foreign population, our people circulate our foreign papers and tracts.
- 11. We recommend, That institutes be held in such districts as will reach every church in which church officers shall be instructed in their duties and effective methods of work.

Whereas the Missionary Volunteer movement has been a great blessing to our youth in safe-guarding from many temptations by enlisting and training them in Christian service; therefore,—

- 12. We urge (a) That our conference workers and church officers make stronger efforts to organize our young people in companies and churches into Missionary Volunteer Societies.
- (b) That church officers and parents with their prayers, visits, and helpful suggestions foster the young people's societies organized in their midst.
- (c) That isolated young people and children be encouraged to become members of the Conference Senior of Junior M. V. Society.
- 13. We recommend, That all, both old and yonng, strive to observe the Morning Watch regularly, using the Morning Watch Calendar as a daily reminder of this our greatest privilege and our greatest need. Realizing (a) That our young people need to be guarded against the huge quantities of unwholesome literature found everywhere; and,
- (b) They should be encouraged in the reading of good, helpful books, and in the study of Bible principles which make us a distinctive people,
- 14. We recommend, That all our workers, church officers, and parents put forth diligent effort to get our young people to enroll in the reading courses, and to study for Standard of Attainment membership.
- 15. We recommend, That our Missionary Volunteer Societies be supplied with *Church Officers' Gazette*, and that our isolated young people be encouraged to subscribe for it.

Realizing the importance of the N. A. M. V. goal for 1914,—

- 16. We recommend, That our conference and church officers encourage our young people to persevere in their efforts to reach their proportionate goal.
- 17. We recommend, That special effort be put forth to place the Youth's Instructor in every home where there are young people.
- (a) That in all our churches, "where there are at least six children to attend," most earnest and prayerful consideration be given to the establishment of a church school.
- (b) That those who have completed this work be urged to attend Fox River Academy.

- (c) That all students who have completed the tenth grade be encouraged to continue their preparation for the Master's work at E. M. C.
- 18. Resolved, That we continue the plan of holding a teacher's institute of three or four days' duration at some convenient time and place, the traveling expenses of teachers to be paid by the conference, and the teacher's salary to be continued during the time of the institute.
- 19. *Resolved*, That every teacher and prospective teacher be strongly urged to attend the summer school at Emmanuel Missionary College.
- 20. Resolved, That every church and organized company be urged to faithfully observe the two educational Sabbaths appointed by the North American Division Conference.

Whereas, there is a constant demand for efficient Bible workers; therefore, —

- 21. We recommend, (a) That at our general meetings time be given for the consideration of this line of work as is given to canvassing, medical, and other branches to implant in hearts a desire to prepare for this work.
- (b) That consecrated and competent persons be encouraged to enter this important branch.
- (c) That those who are engaged in it endeavor to keep abreast with the time, by availing themselves of every opportunity to increase their efficiency.
- 22. We recommend, That our laborers, conference and church, be more faithful in reporting often to the LAKE UNION HERALD.

Inasmuch as the Lord by the spirit of prophecy has recommended the establishing of church schools in every church where there are at least six children; and,—

Whereas there are about twenty children of school age in the colored S. D. A. church of Chicago for whom there is no school; and,—

Inasmuch as the Lord has urged us repeatedly in the Testimonies to liberally assist this neglected and needy people; therefore,—

23. We recommend, That this conference take steps to assist in raising the required sum for the building of a schoolroom this fall wherein a school may be conducted for these children and that it pay two-thirds of the teacher's salary until this church shall be able to support its own teacher.

Whereas the Harvest Ingathering campaign has been a great blessing in the past, enlightening the public mind regarding this present world-wide movement, and furnishing means with which to extend the work,

24. Be it resolved, That we put forth more earnest effort in connection with the 1914 Harvest Ingathering campaign, setting the goal at, at least \$5 per capita.

Whereas the two per cent plan has proved a fruitful source of providing funds necessary for the carrying forward of our work and for which the tithe can not be used; therefore,—

25. Resolved, That we pledge anew our support of this plan by paying two per cent of our income during the ensuing year, and endeavoring to encourage others to do the same.

Whereas the *Church Officers' Gazette* is a most valuable aid in church work,

26. Resolved, That we encourage all our church officers to avail themselves of this church organ.

Since the ultimate aim of the Sabbath school is to win all to Christ.

- 27. Resolved, That we pray, study, and work to meet this God-given responsibility.
- 28. Fifteen cents a week per member is our Sabbath school financial goal, let every member of this conference help by precept and by example to reach it.

Believing in the absolute separation of church and state, and that Sunday laws are a manifest interference with civil and religious freedom; therefore,—

29. Resolved, That we continue to protest against the enactment of laws by civil government for the enforcement of Sunday observance, or any other religious enactment which discriminates between the different sects as being a perversion of Christian principles and a departure from the American idea of civil government.

Whereas the magazine *Liberty* has done efficient work among the state legislators, executive officers, and judges in molding sentiment against religious legislation and the enforcement of Sunday laws; therefore,—

- 30. Resolved, That our conference continue to supply this magazine to members of its state legislature, supreme and district court judges, and the governor and his staff; and that the necessary expense involved in this item be taken out of the annual collection for local and religious liberty work.
- 31. Resolved, That we protest against the Sunday bills now pending in the United States Senate and House of Representatives as being contrary to the principles of religious liberty upon which this government was founded; and that a copy of the resolution be sent to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House.
- 32. Resolved, That we put forth an effort at our camp meeting to get all our people to subscribe to the Liberty magazine at the club rate of 20 cents per yearly subscription.

Whereas the counsel from the Lord in Scripture and Testimony exhorts us to be "wise as serpents and harmless as doves," and that in our aggressive work we do not become entangled with worldly methods or plans; therefore,—

- 33. Resolved, That in our religious liberty work we use the utmost care in methods of campaigning, including the work of advertising, selection of topics, etc.
- 34. Resolved, That we urge our local conference officers to organize the work for more aggressive effort in behalf of the prohibition of the liquor traffic.
- 35. We further recommend, That our people everywhere be urged to prepare for united and effective action when the question of prohibition of the liquor traffic shall be submitted to a vote of the people in the respective communities where they reside, and further, that this question receive due attention at our camp meetings and other general meetings, and that

we encourage a large circulation of the temperance number of the *Youth's Instructor* and the up-to-date literature on this subject.

Whereas the subject of national prohibition of the liquor traffic is now engaging the attention of the Congress of the United States, which is focused in House Joint Resolution 158 and Senate Joint Resolutions 88 and 50; and,

Whereas the Judiciary Committee of both Houses have conducted hearings on this subject, resulting in placing the matter at this time before the House of Representatives, and which will likely be the case with regard to the Senate; therefore,—

36. Resolved, That we place ourselves on record as commending the actions thus far taken and hereby petition Congress to adopt the joint resolutions herein referred to, and that a copy of this resolution be communicated to the chairman of the two judiciary committees and to the Honorable Richmond P. Hobson and Honorable Morris Sheppard of Washington, D. C.

Whereas our sanitarium at Moline looks to us for help and encouragement; therefore,—

- 37. Be it resolved, (a) That our conference workers encourage suitable young men and women to enter the nurses' training-school at Moline.
- (b) That our conference workers and church members encourage patients to go to the Moline Sanitarium for care and treatment.
- (c) That the sanitarium make as reasonable a rate as possible for the poor members of our churches.
- (d) That our churches be requested to send donations of linen or fruit.
- 38. Resolved, That Article 5, Section 1 of the constitution be amended by adding the following:
- 39. That a camp meeting committee consisting of three members be elected, the first mentioned name to be chairman.
- 40. We further recommend, That Section 15 be added which shall read as follows: It shall be the duty of the camp meeting committee to have charge of the tents of the conference and camp meeting equipment, keeping them in a good state of repair, pitching and arranging the camp, and all business matters connected with the camp meeting.
- 41. We recommend, That the academy board shall consist of seven members, three from this conference, three from Southern Illinois, and the principal.

Whereas the Lord has said "our ministers are not to spend their time laboring for those who have already accepted the truth . . . but they are to go forth to win sinners to the Saviour;" therefore,—

- 42. We recommend, That as far as consistent, the conference laborers be so distributed as to reach those that have not heard the message.
- 43. We would express our appreciation of the courtesies given to us by Mr Lindley for the free use these grounds, the chief of police for his cooperation, the city council in supplying water and electric light at a reduction, the Baptist church for the use of its baptistry, the Lord Lumber Co., the Telephone Co., and the Downers Grove *Reporter* for their favors by extending to them our heartiest thanks.

G. E. LANGDON, *Pres.* H. E. MOON, *Sec'y*

Chicago

We are glad to report a growing interest among the colored people of Chicago, in the message for this time. Our Sabbath services are better attended than at any previous time.

From twenty to thirty strangers attend on Sabbaths. Sometimes almost every seat in the building is taken. This greatly encourages us. New ones are all the time accepting the truth.

On Sabbath, October 3, six were baptized who united with the church. Others are keeping the Sabbath and preparing for baptism.

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News Notes

The tithe this year for the first nine months has increased \$3,615 above last year at the corresponding date

Miss Edith Shepard, who is making a tour of the church schools and Missionary Volunteer Societies in this conference, reports earnestness and progress in the different lines of work.

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Business Notices

FARM WANTED.—I would like to rent a small farm of about 80 acres where I can have church and church-school privilege. Addresi Frank Snell, Jr., Millington, Mich.

WORK WANTED.—A Hungarian young man, 25 years of age, understanding English, wants a steady job on a farm, or in a factory. Address A. K. Kover, Sand Lake, Mich., Care of W. Hansen.

FOR SALE.—Eighty acres of land in southern Indiana, near church and school. Good house and other buildings, 60 acres tillable, rest pasture land. Price \$750, terms cash. Tobias Hicks, R. F. D. 1, Tell City, Ind.

FOR SALE.—One acre ground, cottage, cement cave, with frame building, bank barn, good water, small fruit. Located on corner by two mail routes, 5 minute walk to church school, one mile to church in village of Wolf Lake. Address H. C. Chapman, Albion, Ind.

COOKING OIL.—We sell at wholesale all the high-grade oils in cans, barrels, or half-barrels. Present prices on Brotherhood Oil (white) are; one 5-gal. can \$3.95, 2 can, \$7.75. Wesson Snowdrift, \$4.30; 2 cans \$8.40. Shipments made from St. Louis, Chicago, and Holly. Write for pricelist. Address your Tract Society or Adelphian Mercantile Co., Holly, Mich.

HYGIENIC VEGETABLE COOKING OIL.—Fresh from the factory to your home. Not a compound. No more healthful shortening or salad dressing known. F. O. B. Louisville, Ky., 5-gal. can, \$3.90; two 5-gal. cans, \$7.80; 32-gal. bbl., \$21.44. Address Dr. O. C. Godsmark, Chattanooga, Tenn

FOR SALE.—Forty-acre farm in southern Indiana. Seven-room house, cellar, cistern, soft water spring, abundance fruit—all kinds; near Adventist church and school. Also, good mule, platform spring wagon, a few farm implements. Bargain at \$500 cash. Address J. E. Collins, 169 Champion St., Battle Creek, Mich.

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Mrs. Lou Kirby Curtis

Editor

Report of Mission Fund for First Nine Months 1914

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Striking titles, strong logical articles, based on the prophecies of Ezekiel, Daniel, Joel, and Revelation, and a fine selection of war pictures, mark the November number of the *Signs* Magazine.

The publishers of the *Watchman* have announced that all yearly subscriptions received for the *Watchman* between now and the first of the year will be entered for fifteen months, beginning with the October issue. Send a dollar to the tract society and take advantage of this special offer.

College

Brother Carl Weaks, who is recently from the India field, and who is taking work in school this year, gave us a talk on a recent Sabbath on the work in that needy field, after which the Missionary Volunteers ordered 650 of the Ingathering *Review*.

William Wineland, class of '14, is leaving to take up duties on the teaching staff of the Broadview Swedish Seminary. Our good wishes follow him.

On account of the congested condition in the usual place of meeting in the College chapel, the brethren and sisters residing in the village have organized a separate company, which is holding its meetings in a hall.

As a result of a rousing program, the Young People's Missionary Volunteer Society has started a Reading Course class with sixty-one active members.

Both dormitories are now comfortably filled, there being sixty young men, and fifty-eight young women.

The enrollment is now two hundred thirty. Eighty-three are enrolled in the college grades.

The Debt

Dear Friends: How do you feel in regard to the College Debt Movement? Are you praying that God will guide or are you standing off and saying it can't be done? The former attitude will help, the latter will hinder. We realize our enthusiasm as students can never pay the debt, but we are determined to prove that it is not mere enthusiasm, as the reports from week to week show.

We want to give and give till we feel it because we feel that we owe a debt to God and to our E. M. C. for the blessings received here. We want this school to be relieved of this great handicap that it may do even more for others who shall come here in the future. In giving we are blessed. Surely that verse is true—"Where your treasure is there will your heart be also." It will weed out some of the unnecessary things in our lives. Only a day or so ago I heard one person say: "In order to give what I have pledged it will mean that I shave myself, that I go without many little conveniences, and walk a little oftener instead of taking the car." To some of us it may mean a little less candy, less trimming on that new dress, or a more modest hat. But will not that very thing prove a blessing to us?

The keynote of the students who have been working this summer and have pledged a week's work to "God and to our E. M. C." is, "God has blessed me wonderfully this summer and I believe it was because I consecrated my first week (or my best week as the case may be) to 'God and to our E. M. C.'"

How thankful we should be that already a good payment has been made on the debt. We as students could not pay the debt in many years, much as we might sacrifice, but we want to do all we can and then we know "There's a God in Heaven that does things on earth," and the cattle on a thousand hills are His.

We ask your prayers. You can do no less than to ask an all-wise Father to guide and carry out His will. This is our prayer. Will you join us?

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"Thank God for the man who is cheerful In spite of life's troubles, I say; Who sings of a brighter tomorrow Because of the clouds of today. His life is a beautiful sermon, And this is the lesson to me—Meet trials with smiles, and they vanish; Face cares with a song and they flee."